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## CHARITY DINNER

KNEBWORTH BARNs THURSDAY 10 MAY 19:00 UNTIL MIDNIGHT



Seann Walsh

Dinner sponsored by



Join your local President, Liz Perry, at the society's annual charity dinner. This year it's being held at Knebworth Barns, two lovingly restored 400-year-old Tithe Barns within the grounds of historic Knebworth House.

The evening begins with a champagne reception in the Lodge and Courtyard followed by a sumptuous three-course dinner in the Manor Barn. After dinner we will be entertained by Seann Walsh, an exciting new comedy talent whose recent credits include BBC's *Mock the Week*, Radio 4's *Loose Ends*, *Russell Howard's Good News*, and *Michael McIntyre's Comedy Roadshow*.

Tickets are £78 per person (incl VAT); if you book and pay for a table of 10 by 31 March 2012 you will receive a 10% discount. You can book online at [icaew.com/bbhevents](http://icaew.com/bbhevents) using a credit or debit card or download, complete and return the booking form as directed. Alternatively contact Kim Shield at [bbhsca@icaew.com](mailto:bbhsca@icaew.com)

We look forward to meeting you and your guests on 10 May for a truly entertaining evening and supporting a worthwhile cause; the Willow Foundation, a local charity based in Hatfield.

## BBHSCA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

BEALES HOTEL, HATFIELD MONDAY 28 MAY 18:45–19:30

GUEST SPEAKER: MARTYN JONES, ICAEW VICE-PRESIDENT



Martyn Jones

It's your society and you can make a difference. To find out how, attend our AGM to:

- discover first-hand how the local volunteers work on your behalf to raise the profile of chartered accountants;
- learn the society's future plans for services at the grassroots; and
- hear an update on ICAEW strategy.

Martyn Jones, national audit technical partner at Deloitte, became ICAEW Vice-President on 8 June 2011 and will be nominated as ICAEW President in June 2013. Martyn will give us an insight into his year in office and his plans for the future.

The presentation will be followed by drinks and canapés, giving you an ideal opportunity to network with members and also hear how you can help and enhance the existing volunteer group.

This event is **free of charge** but, as spaces are limited, please reserve your place early either online at [icaew.com/bbhevents](http://icaew.com/bbhevents), by email at [bbhsca@icaew.com](mailto:bbhsca@icaew.com) or by calling +44(0)1223 654 682.

# economia

INTELLIGENCE AND INSIGHT FOR ICAEW MEMBERS

## NEW ICAEW MEMBER MAGAZINE LAUNCHING FEBRUARY 2012

This month, we will be publishing our new magazine *economia* which will go to all ICAEW members as part of their core subscription.

*Accountancy* has been, and will continue to be, a valuable industry journal but we took the view that our membership journal needed to reflect fully what we in the profession do, both in the UK and internationally.

Chartered accountants are not simply about technical rigour or the ability to balance the books, though both are important, we provide leadership and support to organisations of all sizes across markets, economies and industry sectors.

The new magazine will reflect the breadth, depth and diversity of the profession as well as provide the kinds of expert commentary, thinking and analysis that you would expect from your ICAEW.

Economia is the lady who holds the rudder in the centre of our crest. She has been used as the ICAEW badge for over 130 years now and it felt appropriate that she should step out of the shield and on to the pages of our new magazine.

Ultimately, the success of the new magazine will stand or fall depending on its ability to provoke and inspire each and every one of you.

The first edition is out on 1 February and some of you will have seen it by now. Let us know what you think by emailing [bbhsca@icaew.com](mailto:bbhsca@icaew.com)

## BBHSCA REGIONAL HEAT OF BASE (BUSINESS, ACCOUNTING AND SKILLS EDUCATION) NATIONAL BUSINESS GAME COMPETITION

UNIVERSITY OF HERTFORDSHIRE

THURSDAY 9 FEBRUARY  
12:00–16:00



If you are looking to build sustainable relationships with students considering their future careers, Business, Accounting and Skills Education (BASE) gives you the opportunity to spot the stars of the future. By sponsoring BASE – ICAEW's interactive national business game competition for sixth form students – you can meet proactive students who are interested in a career in business, accountancy and finance.

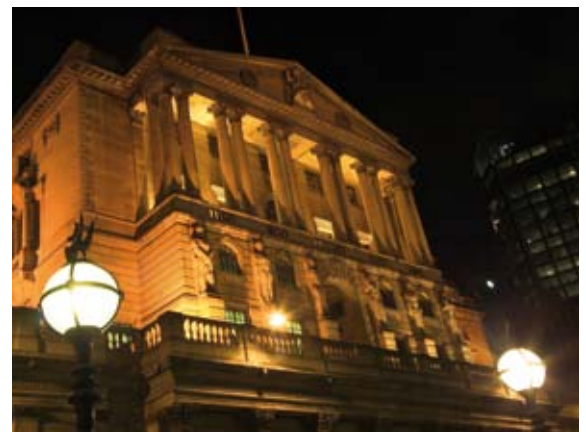
We are looking for professionals to help mentor participating teams through the business game. Students compete in teams against other schools to win a place at our prestigious national final on 28 June 2012. We also have an employer exhibition on the day – providing a perfect opportunity to network with savvy students.

The BBH regional heat will be at Hertfordshire University (Hatfield campus) on 9 February. Contact us for information about sponsorship and how you can engage with this audience and promote your organisation.

For more details about the competition visit [icaew.com/base](http://icaew.com/base) or [facebook.com/icaewbase](https://www.facebook.com/icaewbase)

## ROUNDTABLE WITH THE BANK OF ENGLAND

At the beginning of March, the latest findings of the ICAEW/Grant Thornton UK Business Confidence Monitor Report are released followed by the Chancellor of the Exchequer delivering the Annual Budget Statement on 21 March. On 28 March, we will be hosting a lunchtime round-table discussion with a Regional Agent from the Bank of England to provide business members with the opportunity to discuss their own experiences and hear from the Bank in an informal setting. The venue is Tewin Bury Farm and to register your interest, please contact Kim Shield at [bbhsca@icaew.com](mailto:bbhsca@icaew.com) or call +44 (0)1223 654 682.



## BBH STUDENTS' COMMITTEE

BBH has an active student committee which organises various social activities, including the annual student prize-giving ball. We want to expand committee membership across more firms so please encourage your students to get involved. If they want more information about what's involved, they should contact Charmaine Murphie on +44 (0)1223 654 683 or by email at [charmaine.murphie@icaew.com](mailto:charmaine.murphie@icaew.com). It's great for their CVs and will develop their networking and organisation skills.

This year, with the support of Michael Page Finance, the annual prize-giving dinner is a Masquerade Ball being held at the Park Inn Watford Hotel on Friday 30 March. Tickets are £38 per person with tables booked before 10 February receiving an early booking discount so don't miss out! For more information or to book online please visit [icaew.com/bbhevents](http://icaew.com/bbhevents) or email [regions.bookings@icaew.com](mailto:regions.bookings@icaew.com)



Michael Page  
FINANCE

## GLIDING AND FAMILY BBQ

### DUNSTABLE DOWNS

FRIDAY 29 JUNE

18:00

Gliding is an incredible experience!



Imagine cruising through the sky, turning and climbing, outracing ultralights and balloons, and leaving the world behind. Imagine escaping from the bustle on the ground, being free of the congestion, noise and heat.

You can see for miles. Your head is perfectly positioned to take in the view, and there are no pillars or posts to obscure it.

The lack of an engine can be eerie the first time but millions of birds fly without an engine, so why shouldn't you?

Don't forget your sunglasses, sun hat and of course the camera – who needs Google Earth when you've seen it for real!

Tickets for gliding only are £33 per person\*. A combined gliding and BBQ ticket is £48 per person.

Tickets for the BBQ only are £15 per adult, £10 per child (under 12yrs) or a group ticket for four of any age is £50.

You can book online at [icaew.com/bbhevents](http://icaew.com/bbhevents) using a credit or debit card, download, complete and return the booking form or email [regions.bookings@icaew.com](mailto:regions.bookings@icaew.com)

#### \*Restrictions:

Max height: 6ft 4", min height: 4ft 9"  
Max weight: 16st, min weight: 6st 7lb  
Min age 12 yrs.

## WELCOME AND CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEW MEMBERS

Many congratulations to all BBH students who passed their exams during 2011. In particular we would like to mention **Nicholas Wallis** of PwC, **Elizabeth Angwin** of Deloitte and **John Webb** of PwC who were the top three students at the Advanced Stage and **Alexander Wood** of PwC, **Chris Thompson** of R.A. & D.A. Thompson and **Heather Tulloch** of Ashcroft who took the top three places at the Professional Stage in the BBH area. All six will be presented with a BBH prize at the Students' Masquerade Ball being held at the Park Inn Watford Hotel on Friday 30 March. Tables booked before 10 February receive an early booking discount so please visit [icaew.com/bbhevents](http://icaew.com/bbhevents) or email [regions.bookings@icaew.com](mailto:regions.bookings@icaew.com) for more information and to reserve your place.

Why not get involved? ICAEW, BBH and the BBH Student Society all offer opportunities for you to help maintain the premier position of your qualification and help to influence the future of the profession.

To find out more, contact Kim Shield at [bbhsca@icaew.com](mailto:bbhsca@icaew.com) or call +44 (0)1223 654 682.



## RETIRED MEMBERS' FORUM

Based on the results of the survey completed by those members who attended the last event, our successful Retired Members' Forum will continue with three activities in 2012. In April we will host a lunch with a guest speaker on the topic of travel experiences; on 4 July we will visit Bletchley Park, which will include lunch and a guided tour and in November we will organise a lunch and invite a speaker from a local charity. To register your interest in any of these events, please contact Kim Shield by email at [bbhsca@icaew.com](mailto:bbhsca@icaew.com) or telephone +44 (0)1223 654 682.



## ROYAL OPERA HOUSE BACKSTAGE TOUR

COVENT GARDEN, LONDON SATURDAY 16 JUNE 13:00

The Royal Opera House is home to The Royal Ballet, The Royal Opera and the Orchestra of the Royal Opera House – three of the most highly acclaimed companies in the world. Situated in London's Covent Garden this iconic building covers an area of 2.5 acres and the backstage tour gives you an intriguing insight into the enormous world behind the stage.

Before the tour, join fellow members and their guests for a two-course lunch and a glass of wine in the Amphitheatre Restaurant, which has access to the Terrace overlooking Covent Garden Piazza with views of great landmarks such as the London Eye, Nelson's Column and beyond.

The tour will give you an exciting overview of this stunning building including the huge backstage area, the historic Front of House and the elegant Paul Hamlyn

Hall. You'll gain an insight into the colourful history of the theatre, learn about the state-of-the-art technology installed during the major redevelopment and take a look at aspects of current opera and ballet productions.

As the Royal Opera House is a fully working theatre, each tour is a unique experience and varies according to what is available on the day. While we can't guarantee access to the auditorium, tours may include opportunities to see the Royal Ballet in class, a production workshop and the magnificent backstage technology used to move around scenery which can weigh up to 30 tonnes.

Tickets are £40 per person (incl VAT) and you can book online at [icaew.com/bbhevents](http://icaew.com/bbhevents) using a credit or debit card, download, complete and return the booking form or email [regions.bookings@icaew.com](mailto:regions.bookings@icaew.com)

# BEDS BUCKS & HERTS EVENTS DIARY

DATE	EVENT	SPEAKER	VENUE	TIME	CODE
<b>FEBRUARY</b>					
15 Wed	General Practitioners Discussion Group – The real secret of a time efficient and happy life	Norman Whitwood	OA St. Albans	18:45 for 19:00	
22 Wed	St. Albans Discussion Group – Court of Protection issues	Simon Hardy	St. Albans	19:45 for 20:00	
27 Mon	Cradle to the grave	Tim Good	Luton	14:00-17:30	1
<b>MARCH</b>					
1 Thu	Bucks & SW Herts Discussion Group – Practical employment issues for small employers	Mike Delaney	Watford	18:15 for 18:30	
8 Thu	Olympic challenges: Payroll after Real Time Information and preparing for the new tax year	Kate Upcraft	Hatfield	09:30-13:00	2
8 Thu	Topical accounting pitfalls and tips	John Selwood	Hatfield	14:00-17:30	3
13 Tue	Service charge and property company assignments	Mike Ulrich	Luton	09:30-13:00	4
20 Tue	PAYE and P11D update	Rebecca Benneyworth	Luton	14:00-17:30	5
27 Tue	Tax update	Phil Williams	Luton	09:30-13:00	6
27 Tue	Accountancy, assurance and audit update	Stephanie Henshaw	Luton	14:00-17:30	7
28 Wed	Roundtable with Bank of England	Phil Eckersley and Tom Belsham	Tewin Bury Farm	12:30	
30 Fri	Students' Prize-Giving Ball		Park Inn Watford	19:00	
<b>APRIL</b>					
18 Wed	St. Albans Discussion Group	TBC	St. Albans	19:45 for 20:00	
19 Thu	Tax update	Phil Williams	Newport Pagnell	09:30-13:00	8
19 Thu	Accountancy, assurance and audit update	Stephanie Henshaw	Newport Pagnell	14:00-17:30	9
26 Thu	Advising the self employed	Dean Wootten	Hatfield	09:30-13:00	10
26 Thu	Corporation Tax – the basics	Dean Wootten	Hatfield	14:00-17:30	11
<b>MAY</b>					
3 Thu	Bucks & SW Herts Discussion Group	TBC	Watford	18:15 for 18:30	
4 Fri	Business Members' Forum Lunch	Mark Prisk MP	Manor of Groves Hotel	12:00	
10 Thu	VAT tips for SMEs	Neil Warren	Luton	14:00-17:30	12
10 Thu	President's Annual Dinner	Seann Walsh	Knebworth	19:00	
15 Tue	Keeping up to date with changes in IFRSs	Paul Gee	Hatfield	09:30-13:00	13
15 Tue	Capital Taxes update	Bob Trunchion	Hatfield	14:00-17:30	14
23 Wed	General Practitioners Discussion Group	TBC	OA St. Albans	18:45 for 19:00	
28 Mon	BBH AGM	Martyn Jones	Hatfield	18:45	
29 Tue	Tax and the family – focus on tax credit system	Giles Mooney	Hatfield	09:30-13:00	15
<b>JUNE</b>					
12 Tue	Anti-money laundering and the Bribery Act Update	Stephen McAlpine	Luton	09:30-13:00	16
14 Thu	Executorship for general practitioners	Bob Trunchion	Hatfield	09:30-13:00	17
16 Sat	Lunch and tour of Royal Opera House		Covent Garden, London	13:00	
20 Wed	St. Albans Discussion Group	TBC	St. Albans	19:45 for 20:00	
29 Fri	Gliding and family BBQ	N/A	Dunstable Downs	18:00	

For further details of courses and events or to book online using a debit or credit card please visit [icaew.com/bbhevents](http://icaew.com/bbhevents) or call Regions Central Events T +44 (0)1908 248 179 E [regions.bookings@icaew.com](mailto:regions.bookings@icaew.com)

## VENUES AND INFORMATION

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Comet Way  
Hatfield AL10 9NG

**OA St. Albans**  
Old Albanians Sports Club  
Woollam's Playing Fields  
160 Harpenden Road  
St. Albans AL3 6BB

**Luton**  
Riverside Suite  
Vauxhall Recreation Club  
20 Gypsy Lane  
Luton LU1 3JH

**St. Albans**  
Ardmore House Hotel  
54 Lemsford Road  
St. Albans AL1 3PR

**Newport Pagnell**  
De Vere Harben House  
Tickford Street  
Newport Pagnell MK16 9EY

**Watford**  
Moore Stephens LLP  
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